## TAXI AND LIMOUSINE ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Delaware law requires both taxicab and limousine operators to carry a taxicab and limousine operator ("Z") endorsement on their driver license.

## In order to receive the "Z" endorsement, the applicant must meet the following requirements:

- 1. The applicant must be 18 years of age with one (1) year of driving experience.
- 2. The applicant's driver license cannot have been suspended, revoked, or disqualified in this State or any other State for moving violations during the immediate preceding three (3) years.
- 3. Never have been convicted of any of the following crimes under the laws of this State or any other jurisdiction:
  - a. Any crime against a child;
  - b. Any crime constituting a class A or B felony;
  - c. Any crime constituting a felony homicide, including, but not limited to, murder, manslaughter and vehicular homicide; or
  - d. Any crime constituting a felony sexual offense;
- 4. Has not been convicted or pled guilty, within the last seven (7) years, to any of the following offenses, either under Delaware law or a substantially similar law of another state or of the United States:
  - a. Driving under the influence under Title 21 §4177, §4177J, §4177L, or §4177M of this title
  - b. Any crime constituting a felony offense, including any crime constituting a felony offense against public administration involving bribery, improper influence or abuse of office.
  - c. A hit and run offense under Chapter 42 of Title 21.
  - d. Driving over 100 mph.
  - e. Reckless driving under Title 21 §4175.

## If all of the above qualifications are met, the applicant must complete the following:

1. Appear in person at one of the following State Bureau of Identification (SBI) locations to apply for a State and Federal background check:

Blue Hen Corporate Center 655 South Bay Road, Suite 1B Dover, DE 19901 (302) 739-5871 Delaware State Police Troop 100 Lagrange Ave Newark, DE 19702 (302) 739-2528 Appointment only

Thurman Adams State Service Center 546 S. Bedford Street, Room 202 Georgetown, DE 19947 302-739-2528 Appointment only

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- a. Specify background check is for the taxicab and limousine, "Z", endorsement. This process will take approximately 2 weeks.
- b. Once the background checks are received, the applicant will receive a letter from Division of Motor Vehicles notifying the applicant of the results. This process will take approximately 2 4 weeks.
- c. If approved, appear in person at the DMV.
- 2. The applicant must pass the Class D knowledge exam at the Division of Motor Vehicles.
- 3. Complete a defensive driving course (DDC) from an approved provider *within 30 days* prior to or after applying for a taxicab and limousine endorsement. If the applicant has met all the above requirements except a DDC, a 30-day temporary taxicab and limousine license may be issued. A second temporary license will not be issued. Once the applicant completes a DDC and the course has been electronically loaded by the defensive driving provider, a "Z" endorsement will be added to the applicant's driver license.
- 4. The applicant must pay a \$3.45 fee.